

REMARKS

Claims 10-39 are pending with claims 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 and 35 being independent. Claim 25 has been amended to correct a typographical error as suggested by the Examiner. This amendment does not raise new issues and does not introduce new matter, and, accordingly, should be considered by the Examiner.

Initially, applicant does not appear to have received an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 that accompanied the information disclosure statement filed on July 29, 2005. Applicant requests that the Examiner review the references cited in the information disclosure statement and provide an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 with the next communication.

Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections to the specification and the rejection under section 112, first paragraph.

With respect to claim 10, the Examiner contends that "forming a first wiring on a same layer as a source or drain electrode over a substrate" is not supported by the original disclosure. However, the second wiring 111 shown in Fig. 1A may correspond to the first wiring recited in claim 10, as the second wiring 111 has no properties inconsistent with those of the first wiring. Accordingly, the rejection of claim 10 and its dependent claims should be withdrawn.

With respect to claim 15, the Examiner contends that "forming a plurality of contact holes in the second insulating film, and forming a second wiring over the second insulating film is not supported by the original disclosure. However, the application, at page 11, lines 19-22 and page 15, lines 5-8, describes a film 112 that corresponds to the recited second insulating film over which a second wiring is formed. As would be understood from the specification, the second wiring would contact the wiring 111 under the film 112 through contact holes formed in the film 112. Accordingly, the rejection of claim 15 and its dependent claims should be withdrawn.

Claims 10, 12-15 and 17-19, including independent claims 10 and 15, have been rejected as being anticipated by Takemura (U.S. Patent No. 5,739,549). Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection because Takemura does not describe or suggest forming a first wiring on a same layer as a source or drain electrode, forming an insulating film

over the first wiring, and forming a second wiring over the insulating film, as recited in each of claims 10 and 15. The rejection asserts that Takemura describes a first wiring 311, a first insulating film 316 over the first wiring 311, and a second wiring 318 that is over the film 316 and is on the same layer as a source or drain electrode. However, this is not what the claim recites, since the claim recites that the first wiring (i.e., the wiring 318) is on the same layer as the source or drain electrode. As such, Takemura may not be said to correspond to the subject matter of the claims in the manner set forth in the rejection.

In addition, assuming that the wiring 318 of Takemura corresponds to the recited first wiring, and that the film 323 of Takemura corresponds to the recited insulating film, there is no second wiring such as is recited in claims 10 and 15.

Accordingly, for at least these reasons, the rejection should be withdrawn.

Claims 20, 22, 23, 25, 27, 28, 30, 32, 33, 35, 37 and 38, including independent claims 20, 25, 30 and 35, have been rejected as being anticipated by Kapoor (U.S. Patent No. 5,985,746).

With respect to all of the rejected claims, applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection at least because Kapoor does not describe or suggest connecting a second wiring formed over an insulating film to a first wiring over which the insulating film is formed through a plurality of contact holes formed in the insulating film. While the rejection indicates that Kapoor's metal line 2 corresponds to the first wiring, Kapoor's insulation layer 16 corresponds to the insulating film, and Kapoor's metal layer 50 corresponds to the second wiring, Kapoor's metal layer 50 is not connected to Kapoor's metal line 2 through a "plurality" of contact holes, as recited in each of independent claims 20, 25, 30 and 35. Rather, as best understood, Kapoor's metal layer 50 is only connected to the metal line 2 by a single contact hole. Accordingly, for at least this reason, the rejection should be withdrawn.

With respect to claims 25 and 35, and their dependent claims, applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection for the additional reason that Kapoor does not describe or suggest a gate electrode arranged as recited in claims 25 and 35. While the rejection indicates that metal line 6 is a gate electrode, there is no indication in Kapoor that this is the case.

With respect to claims 30 and 35, and their dependent claims, applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection for the additional reason that Kapoor does not describe or suggest a source line driving circuit as recited in claims 30 and 35. While the

rejection indicates that the integrated circuit structure 10 is a source line driving circuit, there is no indication in Kapoor that this is the case.

Claims 11 and 16 have been rejected as being unpatentable over Takemura in view of Yamazaki (U.S. Patent No. 5,899,547) and claims 21, 31 and 36 have been rejected as being unpatentable over Kapoor in view of Yamazaki. Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of these rejections at least because Yamazaki does not remedy the failure of Takemura and Kapoor to describe or suggest the subject matter of the independent claims.

Claims 24, 29, 34 and 39 have been rejected as being unpatentable over Kapoor in view of Takemura. Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection at least because Takemura does not remedy the failure of Kapoor to describe or suggest the subject matter of independent claims 20, 25, 30 and 35.


Applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance.

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